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Attorney Docket No.: 845642-1

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: WILLIAM D. SUVAL

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VESSEL HARVESTING

☒ **APPLICANT(S) CLAIMS SMALL ENTITY STATUS. SEE 37 CFR 1.27.**

Enclosed are:

13 Pages of Specification

9 Sheets of drawing (___ formal ☒ informal)

☒ Combined Power of Attorney/Declaration and Petition (UNSIGNED) ___ Will follow.

___ Form PTO-1595 and an assignment of the invention to ___ Will follow.

___ A certified copy of ___ from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to Rule 55b and 35 U.S.C. 119. ___ Will follow.

☒ A Request for Nonpublication of Application under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) 37 C.F.R. § 1.213(a)

___ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO 1449 and ___ prior art reference(s).

___ Preliminary Amendment.

☒ General Authorization/Request to Petition for Extension of Time.

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| BASIC FEE | 22 | -20= | 2 | \$355.00 | OR | X 18 | \$710.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 2 | -3= | -0- | \$ 18.00 | OR | X 80 | \$-0- |
| INDEP CLAIMS | | | | \$-0- | OR | + 270 | \$-0- |
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| DEP CLAIMS | | | | \$373.00 | | | |
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR VESSEL HARVESTING

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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I hereby certify that an application for patent, including:

13 pages of Specification (which includes 22 claims and a one-page Abstract); 9 Sheets of informal Drawings; a Declaration and Petition (UNSIGNED); a General Authorization/Request to Petition for Extensions of Time; a Request for Nonpublication of Application under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) 37 C.F.R. § 1.213(a); a check in the amount of \$373.00 to cover the filing fee; a Transmittal Letter (Form PTO 1082); and Return Postcard are being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box Patent Application, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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REQUEST FOR NONPUBLICATION OF APPLICATION

UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) 37 C.F.R. § 1.213(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

1. This request is being submitted with this application on filing.
2. It is requested that this application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).
3. This is to certify that the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

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